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CAMPAIGN FINANCE DIVISION

☒ WAIVER REQUEST
☐ RECONSIDERATION REQUEST

DATE: 3/17/2021
DOCKET #:

FILER INFORMATION

Name: Jason Crockett
Office: Police Juror, District 5
Parish: MOREHOUSE
Election Date: 10/12/2019
Level of Office: Any

REPORT INFORMATION

Name of Report: SUPP2019
Original Due Date: 2/18/2020
Date Filed: Report not yet filed.
Activity Receipts: \$99.00
Expenditures: \$51.53
Funds at Close of Reporting Period: \$628.90

LATE FEE INFORMATION

Amount of Late Fee: \$1000
Days Late: 10/16/2020
Late Fee Order Received: 9/30/2020
Payment/Waiver Request Due Date: 10/20/2020
Waiver Request Received: 10/16/2020
Additional Information Requested:

- Medical
- Financial
- Other

COMMENTS: Jason Crockett request a waiver and states the following: His was mistaken that since he was unopposed in the October 2019 primary the Report he filed in September 2019 was the last report due for 2019. Please know that had he seen that Notice of Delinquency back in February he would have responded without delay. The only transactions for this report are a \$99.00 contribution of his personally funds and an expenditure of \$51.53 to order new checks for the account. With all respect, this fine seems out of proportion to the amounts of money he raised and spent in his campaigns to serve as a Police Juror. Please consider waiving this fine or at least a significant portion of it.

OTHER LATE FEE INFORMATION

Campaign Finance:

Other Outstanding Reports: No
Other Outstanding Late Fees: No
Prior Late Fees: Yes
Reassessed Late Fees: No

Disclosure Statements:

Other Outstanding Late Fees: No
Prior Late Fees: No

October 15, 2020

Louisiana Board of Ethics
Post Office Box 4368
Baton Rouge, LA 70821

Re: Jason Crockett – Morehouse Parish Police Juror
Request for Waiver of Late Fee Assessment

Dear Board Members:

On October 2, 2020, I received a letter from the Board advising that a late fee of \$1,000.00 had been assessed against me because I did not file a "Supplemental Report" due on February 18, 2020, and directing that I file this Supplemental Report within 20 days. I am filing that report with this letter. The only transactions for this report are a \$99.00 contribution I personally made to my campaign account and an expenditure of \$51.53 to order new checks for the account. The account balance is only \$628.90.

Your letter advised that I could request a "waiver" of the late fee. Please accept this letter as my request for a waiver of all or a portion of the significant late fee assessed against me. Being called upon to pay this fine would be a financial hardship for me.

My failure to timely file the Supplemental Report was caused by my mistaken understanding that since I was unopposed in the October 2019 primary the Report I filed in September 2019, was the last report due from me for 2019. Had I realized there was an additional report due in February I would have filed it in a timely fashion.

The letter I received from the Board on October 2, 2020, included a "Notice of Delinquency" dated February 21, 2020, advising of the fact I had not filed a report due on February 18, 2020. While I am sure your office mailed this letter, I do not believe I received it. I do not recall seeing that Notice of Delinquency prior to October 2, 2020.

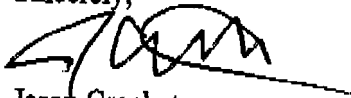
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Please know that had I seen that Notice of Delinquency back in February I would have responded without delay. I would never intentionally ignore a requirement and expose myself to fines and costs. Since first running for Morehouse Parish Police Jury in Fall 2007 I have tried in good faith to be compliant with the Campaign Finance Laws and reporting requirements. The failure to timely file this report was due to my mistake, not from any desire to avoid the reporting or disclosure required by law.

The \$1,000.00 fine is not necessary to insure my compliance with the reporting requirements. I did not willfully ignore those requirements. I made a mistake interpreting what was required of me in an election year. With all respect, this fine seems out of proportion to the amounts of money I have raised and spent in my campaigns to serve as a Police Juror. Please consider waiving this fine or at least a significant portion of it.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,



Jason Crocket
Morehouse Parish Police Jury
District 5



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